

Minutes of the Heath MLB Meeting
December 13, 2022 at 11
Virtual meeting

Present: Art Schwenger (Chair), Anne Emmet, David Gordon, and Ned Wolf
with MLP Manager Sheila Litchfield

Absent: Bill Fontes

Art called the meeting to order at 11.

Members read the minutes of the December 6th MLB meeting. Anne made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. David seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Members read the minutes of the December 6th 1:30 WG&E installs meeting. Anne made a motion to approve the minutes. David seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

MLP Manager Report

Sheila reported receiving unusual messages about the Kohler generator. No generator test was run. She said that she will call Kinsley.

Joe Parda has replied to Sheila's email asking whether it is worth changing the date on the ITG 3 year warranty that BTR has said it will backup. The current date is January 1, 2022. Joe said that he had no evidence that work was done in March of 2022. He advises using the date January 1, 2022.

David reminded us that we were having construction meetings with Joe until the end of March. Sheila said that we signed a letter of substantial completion. David said that we have approved the payment of invoices. There was a consensus to wait a week on signing the certificate of completion with warranty statement to allow time to review the minutes.

Sheila said that Betsy's co-worker has yet to complete the most recent list of people who have said they want an installation but who aren't yet installed. David has gone through the CRM, and he and Sheila have agreed on a number for the estimated total cost of the remaining installs.

Sheila reported that the previous owner of a house in Heath signed up for an install on Dec. 3, 2021 and then moved out before there had been any install. A new owner signed up in the

week of December 5th 2022. There was agreement that the new owner is eligible for a \$250. subsidy provided that the install takes place by June 30, 2023. Sheila will phone to inform the new owner.

Art said that when we meet Dec. 20th in the WG&E installs meeting, we need to work out a schedule for our meetings in 2023.

Redundancy Project

David said that the Northern Tier town representatives met December 8th and agreed to tell WCF that we should plan on going ahead with 3 backhaul providers. He added that we would like assurance that the towns won't have extra charges due to the re-configuring of routers if needed due to delays in the shared MBI backhaul.

Depreciation Reserve

David asked whether other towns have set up Depreciation Reserve accounts. Sheila said that many have including Ashfield and Rowe. A spreadsheet for Depreciation Reserves was created by Wired West and completed by the Heath MLB earlier this year. Sheila said she will find which Sunday the Accountant will be in Heath. That would be an opportunity to discuss with him broadband related finances.

David moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:49. Anne seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Wolf